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Systems and Methods for Delivering a Sample

Fluid to a Receiving Substrate

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

The following is a response to the Examiner's Action dated June 29, 2005. A check in the amount of \$225 is submitted herewith for a request for two-month extension of time. With the granting of this request, Applicant believes that this Response is timely filed.

The Restriction Requirement indicates that the claims in the present application must be restricted to one of the following inventions in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 121:

- Claims 1-32, drawn to an osmolarity measuring system, classified in Class 422, subclass 50.
- 2. Claims 33-61, drawn to an osmolarity measuring system, classified in Class 422, subclass 50.

During a teleconference with the examiner, Applicant's attorney elected to pursue claims 1-32 and withdraw claims 33-61. The Restriction Requirement goes on to state, however, that

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the application contains claims directed to the following patentable distinct species for the receiving device in the claimed invention:

- a. wherein the receiving device comprises a rubber plug,
- b. wherein the receiving device comprises 4 sets,
- c. wherein the receiving device comprises a block having a glue, or
- d. wherein the receiving device comprises a metal line.

The Restriction Requirement further indicates that the Application contains claims directed to the following patentable distinct species for the translation system in the claimed invention:

- a. wherein the translation system comprises a non-tapered cylindrical screws,
- b. wherein the translation system comprises a course translation screw and a fine translation screws, or
- c. wherein the translation system comprises an electric field.

The Restriction Requirement indicates that Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to clect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claim shall be restricted in the event a generic claim is finally held to be allowable. The Restriction indicates that claims 1 and 33 are generic.

Applicant has previously elected to pursue generic claim 1. Applicant now further elects to pursue the species directed to the invention as claimed in claim 1, wherein the translation system comprises an electric field. Applicant believes that claims 19-22 are directed to the species. Further, Applicant believes that claims 2, 3, 4, 13, 23, 24, 25, 29, 30, 31, and 32 are not subject to restriction. Accordingly, Applicant elects to pursue claims 1-4, 13, 19-25, and 29-32. The remaining claims, i.e., 5-12, 14-18, and 26-28, as well as claims 33-61, are hereby withdrawn.

Applicant withdraws the above claims without prejudice and expressly reserves the right to pursue any patentable subject matter contained in these claims at a later date.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any over payments due with this response to deposit account <u>13-0480</u> referencing attorney docket number 67175524-001601.

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